

Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in the City of Norfolk, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

December 3, 2010 to December 28, 2010

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal construction activity to determine if it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT :

DOD/U.S. Navy

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Department of the Navy (Navy) proposes to replace the existing bulkhead with a new bulkhead on the Mason Creek Canal at Naval Station Norfolk in the City of Norfolk. The Navy will replace approximately 1,400 linear feet of timber bulkhead and concrete cap with a cantilevered steel sheet pile bulkhead and concrete cap. The new bulkhead will be installed immediately landward of the existing bulkhead. There will be 1,430 cubic yards of backfill installed landward of the new bulkhead. Approximately 20 square feet of existing rip rap will be removed during demolition and reinstalled after construction. Ten existing outfall drainage pipes will be replaced. Petroleum- and lead-contaminated soil on the west side of the canal will be excavated and properly disposed. Upland area behind the new bulkhead will be backfilled, top soiled and seeded. The Navy has submitted a Federal Consistency Determination that finds the proposed action consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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